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**TORRES ET AL** )  
Serial No. **09/774,393** ) Attorney Docket No.:  
Filed: **JANUARY 31, 2001** ) 24787  
For: **PREPAID HEALTH CARE SYSTEM** )  
**AND METHODS OF PROVIDING** )  
**THE SAME** )

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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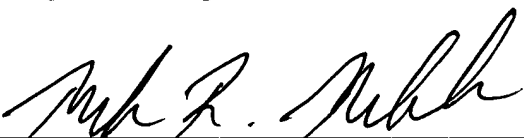
The Applicant in the above-referenced application respectfully requests a one-month time extension for filing the response to the Official Action mailed March 8, 2001. The extension fee in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed. If any additional extension and/or fee is required, or if any additional fee for claims is required, charge Account No. **01-0484**.

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